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# Land & Water Resources Committee September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 9:00 am Courthouse, Mauston WI

PRESENT: Rodney Seamans, Chair, Joe Lally, Scott Wilhorn, Chris Zindorf, FSA Rep. Jim Raese

1. Meeting called to order by chair, Rodney Seamans, at 9:03 am

#### 2. MINUTES

Motion by Wilhorn seconded by Lally to approve the minutes of August 13th, 2020 meeting. Motion carried

#### 3. NRCS- Jon Field

- Discussion of projects cost shared and designed and the impact the recent weather has had on completed projects
- Preconstruction meeting held for a roofed barnyard, installation will start in September
- Finishing up writing contracts for next year, contracts include grazing, manure storage closure, and a dam

#### 4. FSA – Jim Raese

- FSA is in Phase 2 of reopening and can see a single producer in the office at a time for face-to-face interactions/appointments
- Sara Schultz has started as a full time Program Technician in the Juneau County office. Her main program responsibility will be the Conservation Reserve Program. She has additional programs and will back up the other PT's on remaining programs
- Coronavirus Food Assistance Program deadline is now Friday, September 11th
- There is now a drop box secured to the side of the building for producers to drop off completed paperwork for any agency in the office

#### VOUCHERS – Dustin Ladd

• Update and review of vouchers paid

### 6. APHIS -Phil Peterson

• Phil Peterson was absent from meeting, will try to attend the October or November meeting

# 7. GOLDEN SANDS RC&D / AIS - Dustin Ladd

Discussion of submitting DNR Aquatic Invasive Species grant jointly with Golden Sands
 \*Motion by Lally, seconded by Wilhorn for Dustin Ladd to sign the DNR AIS grant application. Motion Carried.

#### 8. AGC UPDATE-Dustin Ladd

- Armenia Growers Coalition call held on Aug 26<sup>th</sup>, update given on RO systems installed and water delivered to families
- 69 systems have been installed, 8 are waiting to be installed, and 6 families are still receiving drinking water
- All systems installed were successful in reducing Nitrogen below 10ppm

#### 9. 2021 BUDGET -Dustin Ladd

- Update given on the 2021 budget
- Discussion of operating expenses, drone and 2 work cell phones being added to the budget. Further discussion of water testing being included in the budget
- Discussion of 2021 Clean Sweep impact on budget and feasibility of holding CS in a location other than the Highway department
- \*Motion by Wilhorn, seconded by Lally to approve the 2021 budget. Motion Carried.

### 10. CSGCC-Dustin Ladd

- Counties submitting application for grant to fund a grad student and groundwater testing model
- Discussion of grant match and funding. Grant Application due Oct. 15th

# 11. CONSTRUCTION UPDATE-Brian Goepfert

• Update given on 2 current projects, a dam installation and manure storage construction

## 12. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS-Committee

- Update on certified letter sent to owner of overflowing manure storage pit
- Update of certified letter sent to manure stacked in stream corridor, will hopefully be working with landowner moving forward
- Discussion of landowner given court order to vacate cattle from property and possibility of their manure storage pit overflowing this winter
- Discussion of DNR involvement in Manure Storage issues in Juneau County

#### 13. SET NEXT MEETING DATE-Committee

Next meeting set October 8th, 2020 at Time TBD Location: TBD

#### 14. ADJOURN-Committee

 Meeting adjourned – Motion by Seamans to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 a.m. Motion carried.